

**TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – October 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
Charlestown Town Hall, 4540 South County Trail, Charlestown, RI**

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council will be held on October 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Charlestown Town Hall, 4540 South County Trail, Charlestown, RI. The proposed agenda is as follows:

1. CALL TO ORDER, Moment of Silence, Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL

Motion to move items 8d, 17a, 18c and 18f to be heard next on the agenda.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT for items not on the Agenda

4. COUNCIL COMMENTS

5. PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD - None

6. ADMINISTRATOR, SOLICITOR, COMMISSION REPORTS

a. Town Administrator

b. Town Solicitor

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Hometown Hero Award

b. Mud Cove ad hoc Committee charge

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Potential Revision to RIGL §45-53 - Low and Moderate Income Housing

b. Report on Citizen Allegations

c. Motion to make the Friends of Ninigret Park a formal subcommittee of the Economic Improvement Commission, similar in functionality and structure to the Ninigret Park Dog Park Facility Subcommittee

d. Request from the Parks and Recreation Commission to revise §158-29.A.4 relative to the number of Resident beach passes allowed per household

e. Motion to create a Dredging Stakeholder's Advisory Group

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Ordinance #342 amending Chapter 210 – Wastewater Management District, §210-8.1, I. Miscellaneous Regulations

b. Ordinance #343 amending Chapter 192 – Taxation, Additional Elderly Low Income Tax Benefit Program

10. COUNCIL SITTING AS BEVERAGE LICENSING BOARD

Order advertised for public hearing on November 14, 2011 the following applications for beverage license:

Charlestown Package Store Inc. d/b/a Charlestown Package Store – Class A

Richard C. Serra d/b/a Rippy's Liquor & Marketplace – Class A

Charlestown Willows d/b/a Foster Pier Restaurant – Class BV Full

Birdmar Enterprises Inc. d/b/a The Cove – Class BV Full

MGMR Group Inc. d/b/a Meadow Brook Inn – Class BV Full

Nordic Lodge Inc. d/b/a Nordic Lodge – Class BV Full

Old Wilcox Tavern Inc. d/b/a Wilcox Tavern – Class BV Full

C & E Pizza Inc. d/b/a Famous Pizza – Class BV Limited

Courtney Figarsky d/b/a Gentleman Farmer Diner – Class BV Limited

Craig T. Marr d/b/a The Breachway Grill LLC – Class BV Limited

G.S.I. Inc. d/b/a Night Watch Tavern – Class B Tavern

Downey Weaver Post Building Assn. American Legion #34 – Class D Club

11. LICENSES AND PERMITS

a. Approval of event at Ninigret Park with a recommendation from the Parks and Recreation commission, subject to review of contracts by the Town Solicitor, receipt of all applicable paperwork and insurance and that all event details are satisfactorily met by the Parks and Recreation Director:

Big Apple Circus – Charlestown Chamber of Commerce

Park Reservation: June 19 – July 11, 2012 (Show Dates: June 23 – July 8, 2012)

Camping: Yes

Insurance: \$5 million

Fee: \$9000

12. CONSENT AGENDA *All items marked with "CA" are to be considered consent agenda*

Motion to accept, approve and place on file the following as the consent agenda: 13a, 13b, 16b, 16c, 16d, 17b, 17c, 17d, 17e, 17f, 17g, 18d and 18e

13. MINUTES AND REPORTS

"CA" a. Town Council Minutes: 1. September 7 ; 2. September 12 (Executive and Regular sessions)

“CA” b. Reports: 1. Building Official, September 2011; 2. Chief of Police, September 2011; 3. GIS Office, September 2011; 4. Parks and Recreation Director, September 2011; 5. Public Works Director, September 2011; 6. Town Clerk, September 2011; 7. Treasurer, August 2011; 8. Wastewater Manager, September 2011

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Board and Commission vacancies

15. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

a. Introduction and first reading of Ordinance #344 amending Chapter 218-Zoning, Section 218-37-Specific Land Use Standards and Conditions, D-Utilities (4) Residential Wind Energy Facilities. Motion to order advertised for public hearing on November 14, 2011.

16. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

a. Communication from the Richmond Town Council requesting support in opposing the implementation of tolls on Interstate Route 95 and to allow for free and unrestricted travel throughout the State for all Rhode Islanders.

“CA” b. Letter of commendation for the Parks and Recreation Staff

“CA” c. Letter of commendation for Matthew J. Dowling, On-Site Wastewater Specialist

“CA” d. Letter from Robin & Maryann Foote regarding red light cameras

e. Multi-Chamber statement regarding the announcement of the South Kingstown Chamber of Commerce’s proposed name change

17. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

a. Appointment to the Chariho Regional District School Committee, term to expire in November of 2014

“CA” b. Resignation of Damon Hamilton from the Ninigret Park Dog Park Facility Subcommittee

“CA” c. Resignation of Alexis Schonrog from the Ninigret Park Dog Park Facility Subcommittee

“CA” d. Reappointment of Evelyn J. Smith to the Affordable Housing Commission, term to expire in September of 2012 as requested.

“CA” e. Appointment of Julia Beasley to the Mud Cove ad hoc Committee as a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

“CA” f. Appointment of Nancy B. Hedgpeth to Agricultural Preservation, term to expire in January of 2012.

“CA” g. Reappointment of Cheryl Dowdell to the ad hoc Beach Structure Committee as a Citizen at Large, term to expire when the Committee’s charge is fulfilled.

18. FISCAL MATTERS

a. Indemnification request from the Town Administrator to secure private attorney representation for Richard Sartor, Chief Jack Shippee, Stephen McCandless, William DiLibero, Gregory J. Avedisian and Marjorie F. Frank as named parties in a Human Rights Commission Charge of Discrimination filed by Lisa DiBello.

b. Chariho Capital Improvement Plan/Charlestown Elementary School Library

c. Application for Affordable Housing land acquisition bond funding for Shannock Village Cottages (AP 28 Lot 164) in the amount of \$275,000, with advisory opinions from the Affordable Housing Commission, the Conservation Commission and the Planning Commission.

“CA” d. Approval of the purchase of a 2012 Ford Taurus from MHQ Municipal Vehicles for a total of \$22,898 (\$20,000 as budgeted from the Capital budget line 01.990.9902 and \$2,898 from Operating Supply/Vehicles 01.510.6025) as recommended by Colonel Jack Shippee.

“CA” e. Request from the Tax Assessor for abatements totaling \$1,217.60

f. Approval of ideas for the Ninigret Ice Rink, utilizing funds from the Ninigret Park Fund of no more than \$5000.

19. LEGAL MATTERS - None

20. ADJOURNMENT

The public is welcome to any meeting of the Town Council. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please call 711-364-1240 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

Advertised in the Westerly Sun: October 8, 2011

Posted to SOS, ClerkBase and at Town Hall: October 6, 2011